



ABSTRACT LOG
OF CLIPPER SHIP
“FLYING CLOUD”
J. P. CREESY COMMANDER



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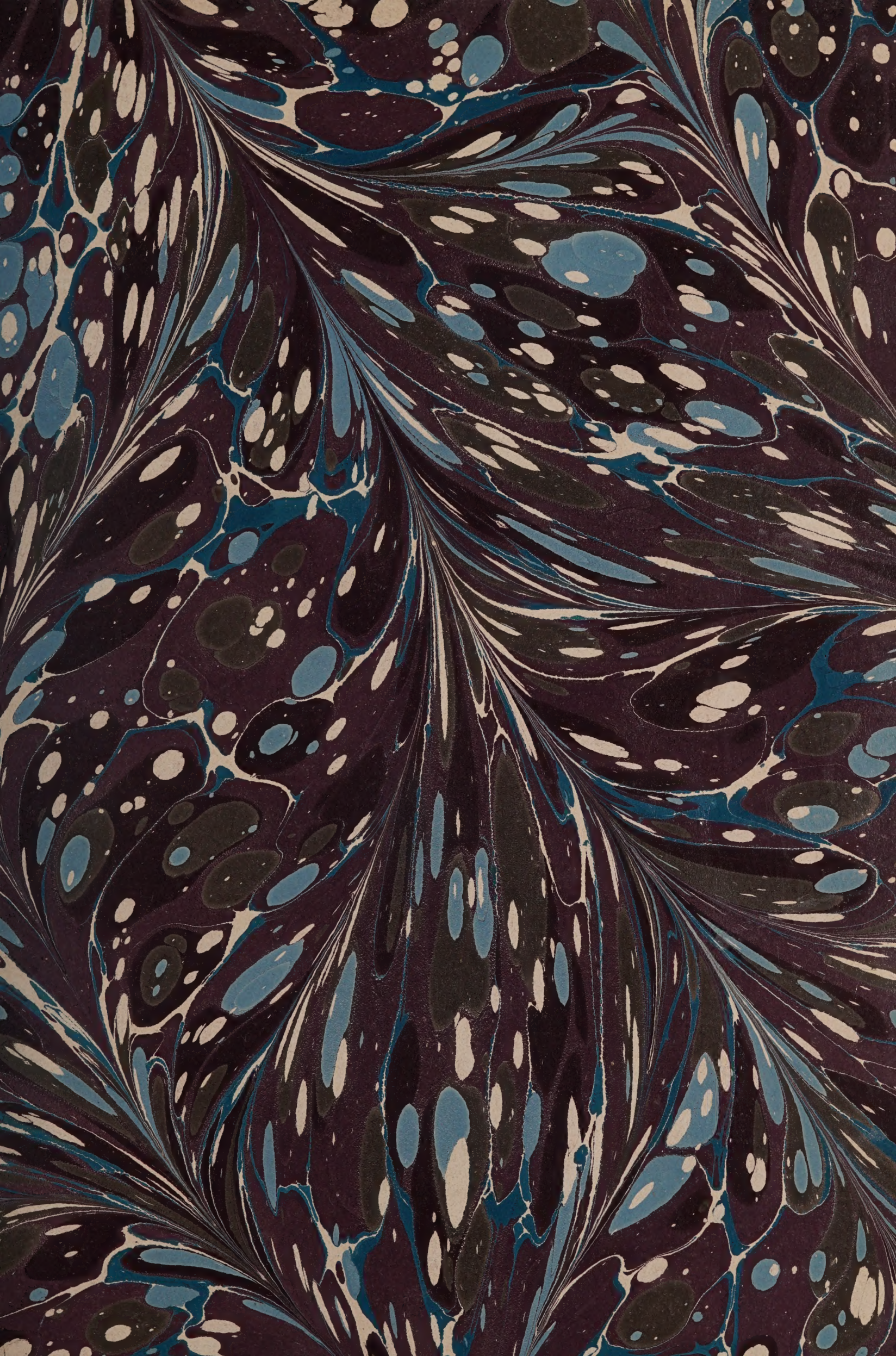




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As Capt Clark was a frequent visitor,
I have no doubt he was thoroughly
familiar with it. Mr Williams being
away at this time I cannot say ac-
tively however.

It may interest you to know that the
writer of the abstract became one of
the most prominent attorneys in New York
his daughter, from whom this was obtained
socially prominent married one of the
Italian Opera Singers.

If you are disappointed will you please
return the log as soon as convenient.

Faithfully yours

J. M. Hart.

for Max Williams

After the Civil War Geo. Willard
served two terms, of three years
each, as Lieut. Commander of
U. S. Revenue cutters in the har-
bor of New York City.

During the last term, he had
this "Abstract, Log of Ship Flying
Cloud," copied from the original
held by Grinnell & Putnam, and
gave it to his sister Mrs. Lucy W.
Hawes, then living in N. Y. for
safe keeping, and I found it a-
mong her papers after her death
in 1894.

Phoebe W. Hawes.

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NEW YORK, Dec 18th 1920

Mr. Charles A. Godwin.
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mr. Godwin:
Your favour of the 16th is at hand and your former letter should have received immediate attention had it been placed before me, but somehow in the Christmas rush it was diverted. The writer has learned of this "Flying Cloud" item, that the lady from whom it was purchased was the daughter of the 2nd officer of the ship, and brought her into New York Harbor on her memorable Record making passage. She tells us it is the only one so far as she knows that was made of that passage.

You are correct as to ^{the} abstract log being made and used as a report in a way, but this was done only in such circumstances as this a "Record Log."

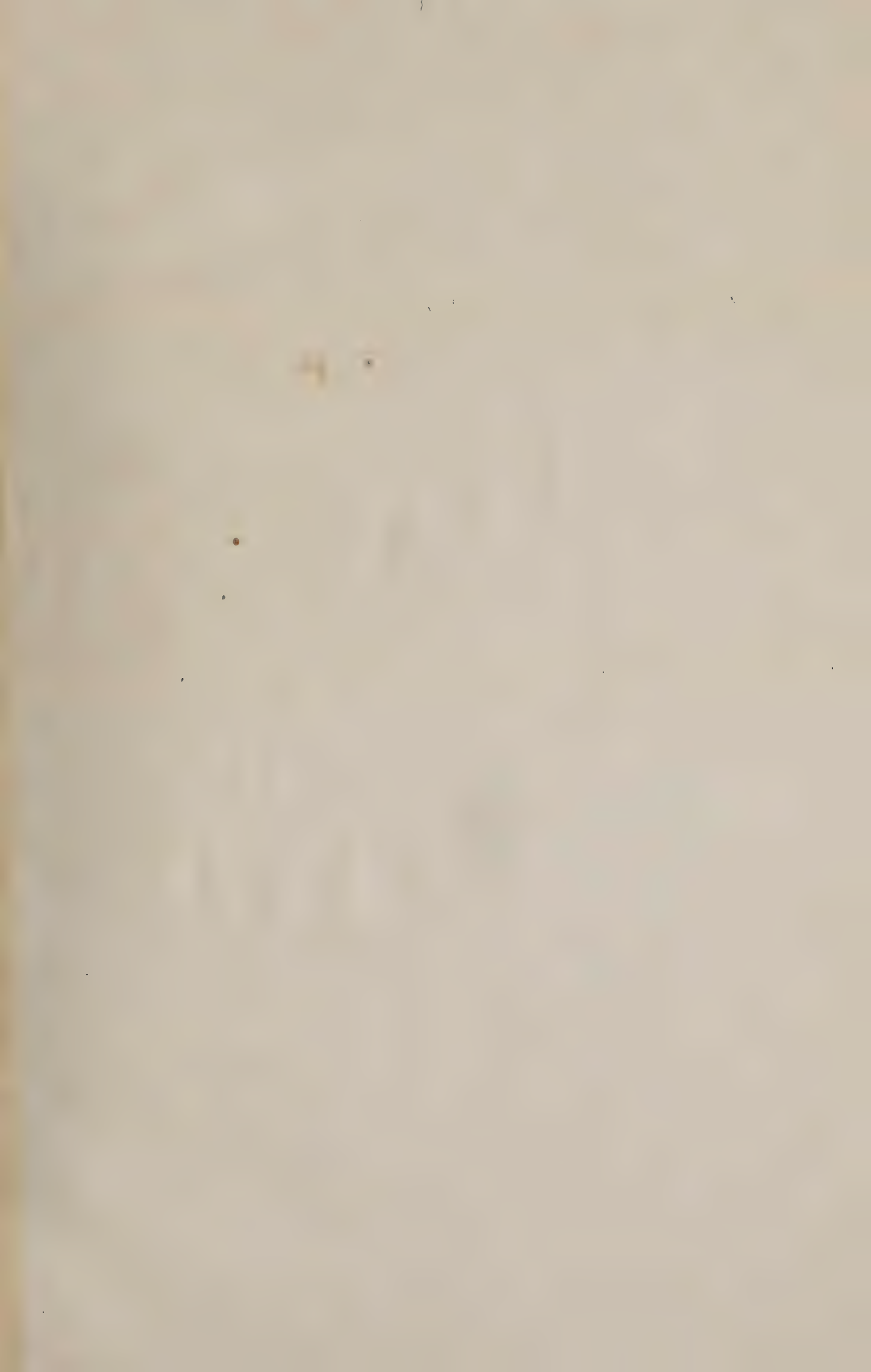
Month	Lat in	Long in	Course	Dist.	Wind Part	Wind Part	Wind Part	Remarks
July								
1	13°49'	37°02'	S 17° E	58	South	Calm	S by E	Light & baffling & squally, Middle mostly calm, Tacked twice
2	15°10'	38°0'	S 35° W	99	SSE	South	SSE by E	" " " with fine weather, tacked at 8 PM to SSE at 1 AM SW by S
3	17°27'	38°35'	S 14° W	138	SSE by S	SSE	SSE	Very light airs & fine weather Land in sight all day
4	19°16'	38°29'	S 3° E	112	E by S	East	ENE	" " calm at times with occasional showers, at 2 PM 20 fathoms water, at 6 17. from 17 to 35 down to 20 up to middle, at 1 AM 35 fathoms
5	21°33'	38°50'	S 9° W	139	ENE	ENE	ENE	Light breezes with fine weather, latter part cloudy with light showers & squally appearances.
6	24°22'	40°0'	S 21° W	181	NE	NE	NE	" breezes with thick hazy weather latter part fine, all possible sails set.
7	26°54'	42°17'	S 38° W	192	NE	NE	NNE	" " " " all sails set
8	29°33'	44°26'	S 37½° W	200	NNE	NE	NE	" " and " " " "
9	32°50'	49°0'	S 49° W	300	NNE	North	NNW	" " thick weather, Middle fresh, latter mostly light lightning & much rain, Ends faint & baffling, airs
10	34°58'	51°24'	S 43° W	175	NW	NW	West	" breezes with Thunder Lightning & much rain Middle very heavy squalls with much & very severe Thunder & Lightning, double reefed Topsails, latter part blowing a hard gale no observations
11	36°32'	49°16'	S 43° E	128	WSW	SW	SW	Heavy Gale, close reefed Topsails, split Fore & main Topmast stay sails At 1 PM discovered main Mast Head spring (same time Brig in company to leeward lost Fore & main Top masts) sent down Royal & Top Gallant Yards & Booms off lower & Topsail yards to relieve the masts. Very turbulent sea running ship laboring hard & shipping large quantities of water over lee rail, Middle & latter parts hard Gale & harder squalls No observations.
12	37°02'	50°09'	S 41° W	40	SW	SW	South	Heavy Gale & sea, at 3 PM were ship to NW after running
13	36°43'	53°53'	N 84° W	180	SSW	SW	SW by S	Comes in fresh breeze & cloudy. Let the men out of irons in con- sequence of wanting their services with the understanding that they would be taken care of on arriving at San Francisco At 6 PM carried away main Topsail Tie & Truss Band round the main Mast single reefed the Topsail. Middle Fresh breezes & pleasant Moon eclipsed at 3 hours 30 ^m AM Latter part moderate & clear 19 inches water in the Ship, being 6 inches more than usual.

Month	Lat in Day in Course	Dist.	Wind 1st Part	Wind 2nd Part	Wind 3rd Part	Remarks
July	14 27° 55' 57" 23° 56' W	182	S by E	SSE	ESSE	Comes in moderate; all sail set on Fore & Mizen Mast. Middle & Latter part same weather, ship making same way as before the Gale.
15	44° 28' 61° 07' S 39° W	274	N.W.	N.W.	N.W.	Comes in moderate breezes & fine W. At 4 P.M. saw the land W.N.W. 25 miles distant. Middle fresh wind & cloudy with light rain squalls. Latter light breezes & cloudy. No observations.
16	44° 23' 63° 29' S 30° W	203	calm	SE	NE	First part, faint airs & calms, middle & latter fresh & rattling breezes with cloudy W. no observation. Spoke ship "Harris Raymond" rep'd leaving Boston 4 days before ship "Flying Cloud" left same place for New York.
17	47° 32' 64° 55' S 17° W	199	N.E.	ESSE	ESSE	Light breezes with thick W. latter moderate. no observation.
18	48° 56' 65° 30' S 16° W	81	SE	ESSE	ESSE	Comes in SE. airs with drizzling rain 4 P.M. in studding sails 10 ^h 30 ^m sounded 65 fathoms. Middle & latter part light airs, sometimes calms W. still thick. no obs.
19	49° 39' 66° 17' S 36° W	53	calm	N	N	mostly calm. Thick W. sometimes rain.
20	54° 28' 65° 00' S 4° E	287	ENE	ENE	ENE	Comes in light increasing breezes from N. & varying gradually to ENE W. cloudy at 3 ^h 30 ^m set larboard studding sails at 10 ^h in studding sails W. raining with sleet & squally. Middle & Top Gallant sails at 4 A.M. close reefed Top sails & furled courses. Wind blowing hard gale at 11 hard gale with thick W. & snow. Obliged to wear ship & haul off to N. Cape St. Diego, bearing S 90° W distant 10 miles by estimate. Ends same W. & winds. No observe.
21	54° 02' 65° 00' North	23	NE	NE	SE	Blowing hard with snow & rain. At 10 A.M. saw large ship N.E. with loss of Fore sail.
22	54° 41' 64° 55'		ESSESE	East		Hard Gale with rain & sleet; ship shipping much water but sea running at 4 P.M. W. air. Saw Cape St. Diego bearing SE. 15 miles wore ship at 5 P.M. at 6 A.M. wore ship to S. at 10 saw the land bearing S 20 miles dist. at Meridian St. Diego west 10 miles. W. moderate & cloudy.

Month	Lat in	Long in	Course	Dist	Wind out	Wind part	Wind latter part	Remarks
July	23	56°04'	68°16'		East	East	East	Moderate breezes all sails set passed through Straits Le Maine & cleared the Land at 6 PM strong tide setting to W. night rainy. At 8 AM Cape Horn North 5 miles. The whole coast covered with snow, wild ducks very numerous
	24	55°43'	72°51'		E NE	N E	N W	Comes in gentle breezes with light snow squalls. Middle & latter moderate clear W. all sails set.
	25	53°36'	78°04'	N 52° W 208	North	North	N E	All this day moderate breezes with snow squalls.
	26	50°57'	80°33'	N 29° W 183	South	South	S W	First & middle light, latter fine breezes clear W.
	27	47°55'	84°06'	N 37° W 228	S S W	S S W	S by E	Light S E breezes & cloudy W. all sails set. sent up Main Top Gallant & Royal Yards, set the sails & studding sails also
	28	46°58'	85°06'	N 35° W 70	S S W	W S W	S W by W	First part light air & cloudy all sail set. Middle light rain squalls in studding sails. Latter set larboard studding sails W fine
	29	46°06'	87°46'	N 65° W 122	Calm	Calm	North	First & Middle calm, studding sails in & course set. Latter good breezes, fine W. all sails set.
	30	41°58'	91°00'	N 29° W 284	N. N E	N. N E	East	Fresh breezes with fine W. all sails set by the wind. latter part wind unsteady Ends E. S. E studding sails set.
	31	36°58'	95°46'	N 36° W 374	S E	S E	S E	Fresh breezes fine W. all sails set. At 2 PM wind S E. at 6 squally in lower & Top Gallant studding sails 7 in Royal At 2 AM in fore Top Mast studding sail. Latter Part strong Gale & high sea running. Ship very wet fore & aft. Distance run this day by observation is 374 miles an average of $15\frac{1}{4}$ knots per hour. During the squalls 18 knots of line was not sufficient to measure her rate of speed. Top Gallant sails set.
Aug.	1	31°28'	96°25'	N 8° W 334	S E	S S E	South	First part strong Gale & squally. At 6 PM in Top Gallant sails. Double reefed fore & mizzen Top sails, bad sea running At 4 AM made sail again. Ends all Larboard studding sails set. W. fine
	2	27°29'	98°35'	N 25° W 264	South	South	South	Fresh breezes & fine W. all sails set. Latter part moderate clear
	3	24°47'	100°56'	N 38° W 206	S E	E S E	S S E	Light breezes fine W. 3 PM suspended First Officer from duty in consequence of his arrogating to himself the privilege of cutting up rigging. contrary to my orders &

Month	Lat in	Long in	Course	Dist	Wind part	Wind part	Wind part	Remarks	
								long continued neglect of duty. Middle light squalls & cloudy Weather. Latter fine	
9	4	21° 51'	102° 56'	132° W	208	ESE	ESE	ESE	Light breezes fine W. & passing clouds
	5	19° 12'	105° 31'	142° W	216	"	"	"	" " " " " "
	6	16° 24'	108° 08'	"	226	"	"	"	" " " " " "
	7	13° 34'	110° 53'	43°	234	"	"	"	" " " " " "
	8	10° 42'	113° 42'	44°	239	"	"	"	" " " " Middle squally, latter fine W.
	9	7° 47'	116° 36'	45°	247	"	"	"	" " fresh squalls with rain Ends fine
	10	5° 24'	118° 56'	44°	199	SE by E	SE by E	SE by E	" " fine W.
	11	2° 55'	121° 50'	49°	230	ESE	SE by E	ESE	" " " "
	12	0° 27'	124° 12'	44°	205	"	"	"	" " " " Latter cloudy & light breezes. Ends fine
	13	2° 35'	125° 20'	21°	194	East	East	East	Moderate breezes & fine W.
	14	6° 21'	126° 17'	14°	233	SE E	SE E	SE E	Light breezes & squalls of rain. W. cloudy, fine at intervals
	15	9° 39'	127° 04'	13°	204	"	"	"	" " fine W.
	16	12° 01'	127° 13'	4°	143	South	South	South	Faint " " "
	17	12° 46'	125° 50'	161° E	93	NW	NW	NW	" " " " Squally appearance in N.W. 6 PM
									light squalls from N.W. At 8 squalls from N.E. much rain. Ends calm fine W.
	18	14° 20'	127° 09'	N 39° W	121	calm	NNE	NNE	First part cloudy with occasional rain squalls. Middle & latter part pleasant
	19	16° 52'	129° 07'	N 37° W	191	NNE	NNE	NNE	Very light breezes & cloudy W.
	20	19° 56'	131° 39'	38°	234	"	"	"	Light breezes & puffy fine W.
	21	23° 40'	134° 56'	39°	269	"	"	"	Fresh " " " " Royals furled
	22	27° 46'	138° 02'	34°	297	"	"	"	" & squally, W. cloudy, reefed main Top Gallant sail set it whole again at 8 A.M. At meridian set Royals Winds light
	23	31° 30'	140° 07'	N 26° W	249	NE by E	NE by E	NE by E	Light breezes & cloudy W. fine at intervals
	24	34° 40'	142° 15'	N 29° W	218	"	"	"	" " " " passing clouds
	25	35° 21'	141° 48'	N 26° E	48	"	"	"	" " baffling & unsteady tacked ship 6 times. Spoke Bark America Pacquet 180 days from London for San Francisco
	26	36° 03'	141° 06'	N 39° E	52	NNE	NE	NE	Light breezes baffling & unsteady
	27	36° 09'	137° 17'	N 88° E	185	"	ENE	ENE	" " & cloudy Weather

Date		Lat	Long	Course	Wind	Wind	Wind	Remarks
Day	Month				Dir	Force	Dir	
28	Aug	36° 30'	135° 00'	N 6 E	114	at 6 E	N E by N	Light breeze, fresh squalls with rain lashed several times as necessary
29	"	36° 10'	131° 48'	S 20 E	157	at 6 N E	N by E	Light breeze fine W. Lost Fore Top Gallant Mast
30	"	36° 20'	127° 17'	N 85 E	220	N N W	N N W	fresh squalls with dark passing clouds & high sea on sent up Fore Top Gallant Mast
31	"	"	"	"	240	N N W	N N W	light breeze light strong & squally at 2 AM turned the ship to for day light at 6 made South Farallines bearing N. E 1/2 E took a Pilot at 7 & anchored in San Francisco Harbour at 11 ^h 36 ^m AM after a Passage of 89 Days 21 hours



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